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# The Story of Mushroom Manure



# MUSHROOM

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Mushroom Manure is real stable manure to which has been added 20% of rich top soil and then used to grow one crop of Mushrooms in the huge limestone caverns at West Winfield in Butler County. The heat of fresh manure is gone, but the organic content and fertility of good barnyard manure is retained.

Mushroom Manure lacks the filth, odor and disease spread in ordinary stable manure for it is sterilized before entering the Mushroom growing plant. This process also kills nearly all weed seeds found in ordinary barnyard manures.

The high organic content, almost five times that of top soil, is quite valuable in loosening heavy soils and increasing the moisture retention value. It is a long time source of mineral elements which are released gradually through decomposition into the soil.

New studies prove that organic plant foods such as Mushroom Manure are absolutely vital in growing crops for human consumption. They claim that vegetables grown without organic elements are almost valueless in supplying the needs of our body.

A two-inch layer of Mushroom Manure mixed with clay excavation soil will produce a good lasting turf. This makes a much lower cost lawn than the hauling in of some low grade so-called top soil. This has been proven over and over again. It will produce a good lasting turf almost weedless.

For use on a vegetable, or flower garden we recom-



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mend from two to four inches spaded into the soil. A generous application will supply your garden with ample plant food for a long time. It loosens the soil, retains moisture and promotes growth. For mulching, or placing around any established plants, we recommend from one to two inches. For roses, it should be placed down in the bed on planting and then use some to mulch them every fall for winter protection. As a top-dressing for lawn either in the fall or winter, we recommend from  $\frac{1}{4}$  to  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch. It is also used by many gardeners to cover newly seeded lawns to keep them from drying out after seeding.

Mushroom Manure has a wide variety of uses some of which are as follows: Fruit Growers use it as a mulch under fruit trees. It increases quality and production of fruit many fold. Growers of melons and pickles find it pays dividends when used around each hill. The largest growers of Nursery Stock and Forest Trees use liberal amounts in preparation of their planting beds. Commercial flower growers claim that it increases the amount of flowers that may be cut from a field by over 200%. Many architects specify that it is to be incorporated in the topsoil for new lawn construction. Greenhouses use it in their potting soil mixture. The best landscape firms use large quantities in mulching beds and border planting each year.

A trial load will convince you of the merits of using Mushroom Manure for your lawns and gardens.

## Chemical analysis of Mushroom Manure

Tested by:

Pittsburgh Testing Laboratory

Date: Feb. 11, 1954

Order No. PG-2968

Lab. No. 451487

NITROGEN.....	2.8%
PHOSPHORUS.....	0.32%
POTASH.....	4.00%
ORGANIC CONTENT.....	34.76%

signed by: Lawrence K. Jones  
Manager of Chemical Division

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The amount of MUSHROOM MANURE required to cover a given area may be figured from the table below:

### 1 CUBIC YARD WILL COVER

81 square feet to a thickness of	4 inches
108 square feet to a thickness of	3 inches
162 square feet to a thickness of	2 inches
324 square feet to a thickness of	1 inch
648 square feet to a thickness of	$\frac{1}{2}$ inch
1296 square feet to a thickness of	$\frac{1}{4}$ inch

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